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The success of the Arizona Library News depends on the cooperation of all the librarians over the state. There probably will be no meeting this coming spring. The only way we can keep up the library spirit and feeling is through this little magazine. Please help us do that. We will call on you again for the spring issue. Keep this in mind and collect your items for it.

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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE ARIZONA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

YOU KNOW that books can be weapons;

That the Nazis consider American public libraries dangerous;

That the Axis powers burn and bank books;

That scholars, writers, educators, and intellectuals are among the first groups imprisoned when the enemy spreads over another country.

Knowing all that then, you know also that the war-time inconveniences you will suffer, the tiring extra-work you will do, will be suffered and done because you are fighting.

Recreation, education, information—recreation will take care of itself. A proper education for war, and for a decent post-war world, can be achieved only if it is started on a good basis of essential and widespread information.

No matter how small your library, it contains, or can contain, information. The added effort, the vitally necessary energy which everyone is now called upon to expend should be spent by librarians in making sure that information reaches the public. Such an activity means diligent collection and intelligent direction of readers. It means work.

"Our war effort has been a defensive effort"—so we hear from time to time. Whether the statement is true or not, the war effort of every librarian should be on the intellectual offensive.

And one word of important but less noble-sounding caution: It is better to spend our time in "Business as usual" than to misdirect our efforts, to increase prevalent red-tape, to complicate or confuse essential war activities, or to commit futilities and tactical blunders.

FREDERICK CROMWELL.

HOWARD WEDEL ANSWERS HIS COUNTRY'S CALL

William Howard Wedel, co-founder with Arnold Couturier of the Arizona Trade Bindery, 311 W. Monroe, Phoenix, is now undergoing basic training in the United States Navy's "boot camp" at San Diego, California. Howard enlisted on November 8, just a few days after the voters of his Maricopa County Legislative district had elected him as their representative in the session which convenes in January.

Wedel and Couturier founded the Trade Bindery in July, 1938, and set about serving the needs of librarians and schools of the state and southwest. That they have been successful is testified to by the generous business librarians have sent to their plant, and are sending to that plant today. The ARIZONA LIBRARY NEWS was founded thanks to the co-operation of Wedel and Couturier, and to them this association owes a debt of gratitude. All the friends of Howard Wedel extend to him their best wishes.

A MESSAGE FROM ELMER DAVIS TO AMERICAN LIBRARIES

One of the first acts of the Japanese in the Philippines was to destroy an American library. The policy of the Nazis and the fascists toward libraries, librarians, writers of books and readers of books has long been familiar to us. The Japanese by their act of barbarism adopted the Nazi policy for themselves.

But they did more than that. They brought directly home to Americans the menace of this war to American civilization, American culture and American books—as well as those who use American books, produce American books and care for American books. Most of us have realized for a long time that we Americans were not immune. The fact is now made apparent to all of us.

The consequence is to underline emphatically the position of librarians in this war. They are combatants from this time on in all countries where free libraries and a free culture still exist. As combatants they have a right to know what their combatant duties are—in what ways they can fight back and what fronts are committed to their charge.

Library associations and meetings of librarians all over the country have been devoted for many months to the consideration of these problems. From my point of view as the Director of the Office of War Information, there is one front on which the services of librarians are urgently required. Librarians occupy a position in American life which enables them to see to it that the people of this country have the facts before them.

Teachers and writers can and do perform useful services on this front but neither writers nor teachers have at their disposition in their professional work the facilities which the librarian employs. The librarian has around him, or should have, the books in which the facts are presented—the books in which the problems are posed, the considerations are reviewed and the facts are made evident. Librarians in their professional duty are continually concerned with the problem of directing their readers to the materials which their readers require. In the present war as never before, this duty of librarians assumes a first and pressing importance and librarians in consequence carry a responsibility such as they have never carried in our history.

I have been gratified to note the concern of the various library associations with this problem. The Office of War Information would be happy indeed to be of service to these associations and to individual librarians in meeting the various problems which have presented themselves. A part—and one of the most important parts of the work of the Office of War Information—can only be successfully performed with the cooperation of American libraries and American librarians. I am profoundly grateful for the offers of cooperation which have come to me and I for my part should like to offer in return the fullest cooperation by my office and all its members. American librarians have already taken up the challenge with which this war has faced them. I should like to work beside them in the common cause.

A MESSAGE FROM WILLIMINA SCHULTZ, PRESIDENT OF THE ARIZONA TEACHER-LIBRARIAN DIVISION

Our United States is at war. These familiar words make it necessary that our country require of every profession, as of every citizen, the utmost intelligence, realism, foresight, and devotion.

School librarians, as never before, have a great opportunity to meet the needs and the new demands of our American Youth. More service, not less, will be expected of the school librarian during this great conflict. The services of school librarians must be organized to meet the necessities of a nation at war. Each library activity must meet the triple challenge. Will it contribute to Victory? Will it help to make a better America? Will it help make a better world?

National defense, not only includes military, industrial, and economic defenses, but includes a better understanding of the democracy we are defending. This includes an intelligent understanding of the great national problems which face America, such as inflation, health, conservation of national resources, youth rehabilitation and many other important problems. It is the responsibility of the school librarian to make authentic materials available to our American youth, so that they may have an intelligent understanding of our American Way of Life.

Another contribution that the school librarian can make to national defense is the maintenance of a supply of wholesome, recreational reading to help relieve the strain of war.

Finally, the school librarian can help prepare the leaders of tomorrow to establish a word order of security, and peace for all people.

UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA LIBRARY NEWS

Mr. William H. Carlson resigned the librarianship of the University of Arizona, effective September 1, 1942, to accept the position of Associate Librarian at the University of Washington. Mr. Carlson and his family left Tucson August 1 for Seattle. In a recent letter to the staff here he writes that the city is crowded but that they have found a home, and that the friendly staff and efficient organization of the library will make life there absorbing and challenging. For old friends of his among the Arizona State Library Association membership, who may wish to write him, his address is 6233 36th Avenue N. E.

To fill the vacancy created by Mr. Carlson's resignation, Mr. Frederick Cromwell, formerly Assistant Librarian at the University and at present President of the Arizona State Library Association, has been named Acting Librarian.

Miss Patricia Paylore, formerly Serials Librarian at the University of Arizona, has been named Acquisitions Librarian, assuming, in addition to her old duties, the order work formerly handled by Mr. Cromwell.

Miss Frances Rucks, Peabody '41, who was a member of the University of Arizona library staff from January to June, 1941, on a special assignment, has been named Assistant in the Circulation Department, resigning her position in the Catalogue Department at the University of Idaho to accept the Arizona appointment.

ALTHEA RAGSDALE WRITES FROM FLAGSTAFF

We have been able to carry on in a normal and progressive manner. Our ten weeks of summer school lasted through August 15, then we opened again on September 14. I taught a course in library science the last five weeks of the summer term. Our enrollment during the summer and now for the fall term is smaller than in the past, but we are working in the library to keep it up to standard. The purchasing of books and magazines and the binding of magazines will be given valuable consideration.

WAR INFORMATION CENTER

The University of Arizona has been designated by the U. S. Office of Education as one of over one hundred official Key War Information Centers. One of the larger reading rooms on the first floor has been turned over to this Center, which is being operated six hours daily by the voluntary services of several faculty wives under the direction of Mrs. O. H. Wedel. The Center contains information on all phases of the war, including maps, posters, Army and Navy communiques, current books from the general library collection, many pamphlets and government publications on civilian defense and opportunities for war service. The services of this Center are offered to all citizens of the state; and for those teachers, librarians and study groups or individuals who wish

information on specific phase of the war effort, packages can be assembled and mailed on loan.

The Thomas Wood Stevens Memorial Theatre Collection in the University Library now numbers about 900 volumes, including over 500 volumes from Professor Stevens' own personal library. The Collection, intended as a Memorial to the late Professor Stevens, formerly a member of the University faculty, has been building up since last winter through the efforts of his friends and former students throughout the country. Many of the volumes are especially inscribed to the Collection, and others have been autographed for the donors by the authors. The Collection contains, therefore, many distinguished and noteworthy autographs and association items. Programs, playbills, and photographs of famous theatre personalities are also included.

Mr. T. E. Hanley has continued throughout the spring and summer to add to his Collection, which now numbers about 6,000 cataloged volumes in the fine arts, including drama, radio, music, and art. The students and faculty of the University are finding this Collection increasingly useful as the University gradually assumes regional preeminence in these fields.

REPORT OF STATE DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARY AND ARCHIVES

The dearth of funds rather seriously embarrassed us during the past year, but did not prevent the Department of Library and Archives from rendering more service than ever before.

The State Legislative Bureau, one of our important divisions, was busy with the special war session of the Legislature, held in April, and preparing for the regular biennial session, which convenes January 11, 1943. This division does legislative research work, prepares briefs on legislative subjects, and does bill drafting for the Legislature. It is the legislative workshop.

More service than ever before has been exacted of the Division of Arizona History and Archives. This division's collection of Arizoniana, consisting of approximately 10,000 volumes, has been kept constantly active by Arizona history research workers and students—as also has the division's staff.

The Statewide Archival and Records Project, sponsored by the Division of Arizona History and Archives, custodian of the state archives, has gone the way of most W. P. A. projects not directly connected with the war effort. The project did a splendid work arranging and classifying state archives, consisting of non-current or obsolete records of the state and county governmental departments. Its services are missed, but as many of its members are now engaged in helping to win the war, there are no regrets.

Another library section of our department which continues to grow in interest and importance is the genealogical section. Its patrons

are constantly increasing in numbers, and during the winter months they include many out-of-state visitors.

Like all libraries, the presence of large numbers of Uncle Sam's armed forces has increased the department's activity. Many men in uniform avail themselves of our information facilities, as well as our special library facilities, while many others include us in their sight-seeing rounds.

BIOLOGICAL AND FORESTRY PROJECT REFERENCE LIBRARY AT THE SOUTHWESTERN FOREST AND RANGE EXPERIMENT STATION

The Southwestern Forest and Range Experiment Station, Forest Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture, with headquarters now in the former Desert Laboratory buildings at Tucson, has in use a biological and forest and range project working library. The library consists of the biological collections of the former Desert Laboratory acquired with the office buildings, which together with the Station's forestry collections represents one of the finest project working libraries of its kind. Through agreement, the project library of the Experiment Station and the library facilities of the University of Arizona are available to members of both institutions. These library facilities are also available to other interested persons or agencies. However, inasmuch as the Experiment Station does not have a librarian to handle loans, its library is necessarily a reference library only, principally for use of project workers and others who care to make direct use of the library at Tucson.

Further information regarding the Experiment Station library and its use may be had by writing the Director, Southwestern Forest and Range Experiment Station, P. O. Box 951, Tucson, Arizona.

CARNEGIE FREE LIBRARY AT TUCSON

The following is the report from the Carnegie Free Library, Tucson, Arizona:

The Carnegie Free Library, situated in the heart of the City, in the center of a beautifully landscaped park, is of foremost interest to all Tucsonians, to the men in service and their families, to defense workers, and to winter visitors. The remodelled library is spacious, with modern conveniences, indirect lighting, and air-cooling in the summer. The three large reading rooms are usually full of readers. And the Children's Room is very popular with the children. Our shelves are filled with the latest and best in current literature, both fiction and non-fiction, current magazines and newspapers.

The outdoor reading room was opened on the fifteenth of October. This is especially designed to meet the needs of our none-too-well patrons, who while they are taking the sun can enjoy all the privileges of the library without being hampered by the rigid rules enforced in the main reading rooms. Plenty of reading matter will be on hand for these readers.

With the coming of the war and the defense program, the whole

community has become "war conscious" and the library is rapidly gearing itself to "war activities" and hopes soon to become an important information center. Already there has been established a Civilian Center Bureau where one may find many government pamphlets covering every phase of Civilian Defense. There are many books on air-raid protection and allied subjects. The entire staff has converted itself into one huge information center. Our resources are being taxed to the utmost by the ever increasing demand for books and more books necessary in the war work.

Books for men in the service, books for young men who are fitting themselves for service and book for civilians, both men and women who are being hurried into new and unfamiliar work are on our shelves. All are clamoring for technical books which are vitally necessary and must be provided. The Carnegie Free Library pledges itself that these needs will be met and there will be no rationing of books.

THE CARNEGIE FREE LIBRARY

Mrs. Mary D. Breathitt,
Librarian.

THE PHOENIX PUBLIC LIBRARY SENDS IN THE FOLLOWING REPORTS

During the past fiscal year, 8,025 books were accessioned by the catalog department. Of this number 4,150 were juvenile books, 2,049 adult non-fiction, and 1,826 adult fiction.

Prior to July 1, 1941 the library had accessioned 108,076 volumes. New books totalling 8,025, which were added during the past year, increased this amount to 116,101.

The total number of volumes in the library June 30, 1942 was 84,565.

REFERENCE DEPARTMENT REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1942

The service that the Reference Department gives is very seriously handicapped by the fact that the building is so crowded that very little space can be given for study and research within its walls, and that so much material must be stored in rooms not easily accessible at all hours of the day.

In spite of this, however, many questions are answered by telephone every day, many questions by mail. Bibliographies are prepared for clubs and other groups who are interested in specific work. We provide a well selected group of magazines, all the government and state documents for the most up to date information on all subjects. An excellent pamphlet file provides all defense information material. The basis reference collection is excellent, and adequate for answering most questions.

WARTIME AIMS AND ACTIVITIES

1. Promote democratic ideals and better citizenship through books.
2. Supply technical information to the public.
3. Provide a war information center.
4. Be aware of the library's part in National Defense, particularly in serving our armed forces.
5. Circulate authentic information on current events.
6. Provide authoritative books on international relations, history and economics.
7. Build better morale through books.
8. Take an active part in wartime community projects.
9. Relieve the strain of war by supplying adequate recreational reading for all.
10. Visualize through reading, what a postwar world could be, economically, culturally, and socially, through planning.

PROGRESS AND IMPROVEMENT

1. Branches in the three Housing units.
2. Soldiers Recreation Center library and Luke Field library.
3. Painting interior of building, repairing damage caused by termites.
4. Branches and deposit stations, October 1932, 5.
5. Branches and deposit stations, October 1942, 16.

THE LIBRARY AND DEFENSE

The Phoenix Public Library has been designated as a War Information Center. Defense Pamphlets are in a conspicuous place in the front lobby. They include all major pamphlets and important policy speeches from such defense agencies as: "The Office of Civilian Defense," "Office of Price Administration," "War Production Board," "Library of Congress," "Office of Defense Health and Welfare Services," and others.

SERVICE MEN'S LIBRARY

Phoenix Public Library has placed a collection of several hundred books in the Community Service Men's Center on West Washington street. Books at the former service men's recreational center were moved to the present location and an assortment of new volumes added.

In addition to the public library's collection the Center has received over 600 books, gifts from individuals and organizations. Included in this collection are many new novels and books of non-fiction.

The donations are being cataloged by members of the library staff, assisted by typists from the Phoenix Civilian Defense Volunteer Service.

The collection at present is for reading at the center, only, but when cataloging and processing are completed, the books will be circulated to service men. Volunteer workers will be in charge of circulation.

MARY CARLISLE

CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT AND WAR TIME

The Children's Department of the Phoenix Library is already beginning to show, in its trend toward decentralized service, the change which war time conditions will bring about in the operation of public libraries, especially those not situated in or near the main shopping districts of the communities which they serve.

The number of juvenile borrowers registered at the Main Library, 2002, is now less than half of the total juvenile registration, 5448. Of the 26,360 volumes in the juvenile collection, 10,527, or almost 50%, are in collections at permanent branches. The total number of children's books circulated during 1941-42 was 142,567; of this number 43,203, or only 35% were circulated from the Main Library.

Fortunately, through the Northeast Branch, the ten school branches, three housing unit branches, and two deposit stations established during the past six years and now operating smoothly, books are within easy reach of the children in all sections of the city during the school year at least. And the Children's Department of the Phoenix Public Library finds itself in a position to adapt its service more readily to changing conditions brought about by gasoline rationing and over-crowded street cars and busses.

BOOK WEEK AT THE PHOENIX PUBLIC LIBRARY

By Elvera Weathersbee

It took us two years to recouperate from a Book Week we celebrated by wearing costumes of different countries. Invariably we were asked, "What are you wearing your Hallowe'en costume for?" And so we explained Book Week, but each time weaker than the time before. Last year we just gave away Book Week book-marks and put up the usual Book Week posters. This year, fully recovered, we planned a Book Week with a program for every afternoon, Monday through Friday. In our "back yard" we discovered a band-shell, benches and park; and through Miss Hudgins' efforts we had both newspaper and radio publicity.

Our program was a varied one as "Forward with Books," suggested. Monday was given to the Boy Scouts, who presented the Flag ceremony, a Hopi Indian dancer and a short talk about Franklin K. Mathiews. Tuesday we were able to have Staff Sergeant Gene Autry and Lt. Roberta House of the W.A.A.C. to sell Defense Stamps. The children developed autographitis and Gene Autry sang without music (the Army does not allow him to carry his guitar). Wednesday four Spanish girls, accompanied by a phonograph with Mrs. Golter as technician, presented Mexican dances. Thursday, Margaret Phelps, author of, "Pico and the Silver Mountains," told the boys and girls about Pico and conducted a quiz on Mexico. The winner was given a free copy of "Pico." All children who were able to answer the question, "What week are we celebrating?" were able to enter the contest (we had the stage full—Success!).

And Friday, the sixth grade of Adams School gave the play, "The King's Toothache," a most enjoyable comedy.

The response to our programs more than repaid us for our efforts. The children are eager to read, "Pico and the Silver Mountain," and they are still talking about seeing the "real" Gene Autry.

CELEBRATING "BOOK WEEK"

The opening of Book Week was celebrated in Phoenix with a tea at the Y. W. C. A. Mrs. Margaret Phelps, author of the recently published book "Pico and the Silver Mountains," a legend of Mexico, was the guest speaker. In an informal, entertaining way she told us how she came to write the book and how she gathered her material. She autographed copies sold during the tea hour.

Dixie Thompson, vice president of the Arizona Library Association, and librarian of the Osborn and Longfellow schools, was in charge of a "Dr. I. Q." quiz. Mrs. Berryman, Maricopa County librarian, was the chairman of the affair and Willamina Schultz, president of the Arizona Teacher-Librarian division, extended the welcome to the guests. Hostesses were Patience K. Golter and Elvera Weathersbee, both of the Phoenix Public Library, and Mrs. J. O. Teague of the Glendale Public Library. Gertrude B. Thayer of the Maricopa County library was the chairman of the refreshment committee. The tea was a grand success and librarians and friends welcomed such a get-together, and expressed the hope that such meetings would continue. To make sure of that Mrs. Willamina Schultz appointed Marie Siedentopf, Maricopa County Library, Lou Anderson, librarian at Monroe School and Euta Brenneman, librarian of Madison School, to plan the next tea, which will be held after the holiday season.

It would be so nice if such get-togethers could be held in other cities of the state. It would help to strengthen the contacts made at our annual meeting and foster a library feeling and give the library spirit a boost.

THE WAR BRINGS ABOUT CHANGES

We, of the Maricopa County Library, were pleased with the following rather breezy article in the recent "Arizona in War-time" edition of the Arizona Republic and Gazette. It may give the other librarians in the state some idea of the changes the war has brought about with us.

SERVICE GIVEN RURAL READERS

The most isolated rancher in Maricopa County's rangeland can read "Gone With the Wind" and the rest of the best sellers right along with the country's most cosmopolitan city critters.

Here's why: For the last 13 years—a time far from unlucky for rural readers—the Maricopa county free library annually has circulated more than 300,000 volumes among the folks who can't take a street car or a block's walk to their local library.

Through branches housed in schools and other public buildings, watched over by volunteer librarians, the county library was the first in Arizona to take advantage of legislation authorizing such service.

Four librarians, headed by Mrs. Evangeline Berryman, who is fully accredited, hold sway at the library's headquarters in the county courthouse in Phoenix.

Only this fall, to save rubber and gas, the library has broken four of its rock-bound rules. First, books are checked out for two weeks instead of one now. Second, books may be renewed by telephone. Third, book borrowers may send their cards with someone else. Fourth, wives can use hubby's card, and vice versa.

Mrs. Berryman has marked an improvement in reading tastes of "backwoods" bookworms. As they become better acquainted with better books, broader reading horizons open to them. So the cowhand can be cultured now, and the farm wife well-read, through Maricopa county's free library.

The Maricopa County Free Library is continuing its service to the Flying Fields and to the Jananese Relocation center at Rivers, Arizona. Requests from the Flying Fields continue to be of the same high standard.

Maricopa County Library is serving 65 branches at the present time. Circulation reports show that the branch libraries are making good use of the service.

War conditions have created a large turnover in our librarian-teacher friends and principals. We miss the old friends, but are glad to see their successors keeping up the contacts with the county library.

More than ever before rural schools are using the extra service per teacher this year. And the book lists sent in are far above the average.

JAYCEE LIBRARY SOLVING PROBLEMS

The Phoenix Junior College Library is faced with many problems which are gradually being solved. Shortage of N. Y. A. help has been partly met through the co-operation of our faculty who have volunteered to spend two periods a week in the main reading room. The reserve collection has been moved to the main stack room where the students have been put on an honor system in checking out books assigned for class use.

Like the rest of the college the library is co-operating with the United States Government in all war efforts to the fullest extent, ordering books and magazines essential in defense work and military training. We are giving special attention to the needs of the Defense Radio class and to the forty-five C. P. T. men who are enrolled in pilot training.

CARNEGIE LIBRARY AT YUMA

Mrs. Addie Ingalls Kline, librarian, returned to work June 1st, after a sick leave of 17 months. Miss Oriola Noriega continues as Assistant Librarian.

The Carnegie Library reports that during the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1942: 38,152 books were circulated, of this number 24,344 books were adult, (19,935 fiction; 4,409 non-fiction). Juvenile books 13,808 (12,251 fiction; 1,557 non-fiction). There were 1,437 books accessioned, 472 registration.

Three new book stacks have been added.

The library has been painted white with green trim on the outside, making it very attractive and out standing in the center of the park surrounded by trees, shrubs and flowers.

The Hon. Carl Hayden, U. S. Senator, sent the library several maps and many books.

All Boy Scout Merit Badge pamphlets have been replaced.

We presented a display on juvenile books for Book Week in November.

THE LOIS GRUNOW MEMORIAL LIBRARY

McDowell at Tenth Street

Phoenix, Arizona

Mary Elsie Caruso, Librarian

The most important news about my library is that it is growing. The collection has increased over half the original number of volumes. Physicians and nurses in the city and many from out of town have used the library. The nursing classes of the Good Samaritan Hospital have visited the library for instruction in its use and later for reference use. The Clinic Staff has contributed the money to pay for binding the complete volumes in the library. In summary—the library is growing and developing and I am enjoying the work thoroughly. I went back home to New York for my vacation and have just returned.

COPPER QUEEN LIBRARY

Mrs. A. L. Sinclair, Librarian

The Copper Queen Library, established 54 years ago for the benefit of the employees, by the Phelps Dodge Corporation, has always been termed a "Man's Library" as the greatest number of patrons have been the men of the camp. The war situation has decreased the circulation as the men are called to the colors.

There are between 11,000 and 12,000 books in the building with an average circulation of 2,300 books per month.

An average of 25 new books are purchased each month. A well stocked technical room and good reference department are of great value to the student.

IDA WILSON WRITES FROM HAWAII

All of us are interested in news of Ida G. Wilson, who for many years was one of the leading figures in Arizona Library world. We thank Miss M. L. Bunte of Arizona State Teachers College at Tempe for this excerpt from Ida Wilson's letter dated October 19, 1942:

Life goes on here much the same as usual in spite of the fact that we are living in a war zone. Naturally, the whole aspect of the city has changed. We live under martial law which is the only sensible way under the present conditions. The whole city is dotted with hundreds of bomb shelters and many buildings have been camouflaged. We have our nightly black-outs—now from 7 p.m. to 6:45 a.m.—but they will grow longer as the days shorten. Lately we have received black-out bulbs which we may use and leave our doors and windows open. With these you can see to move around with ease but they are of no use for any other purpose. We are having our summer now and it gets decidedly uncomfortable these nights to stay very long in a blacked-out room. I have an electric fan which helps but I need a good ventilator. My landlady promised me one months ago but so far it hasn't been forthcoming.

Honolulu is teeming, naturally, with service men and defense workers. We are very busy at the library even though our hours of being open are shortened—just now from 8:30 to 5. I like my work very much. Have had a free hand in developing and building up my department and it has been very interesting.

NEWS

Mr. Leroy Brenneman, resigned from the staff of the Phoenix Public Library in August to become head of the Civil Service Department of Phoenix. This also vacated the editor's job of the Arizona Library News and Marie Siedentopf was asked to take over.

According to Margaret McGowan of Wickenburg everything at the High School Library is "under control" and the local Public Library, which was started this summer, is doing nicely.

Mrs. Beth L. Rogers, librarian of Phoenix Union High School spent her summer in Phoenix working through summer school. Miss Leta Weaver, her assistant, went home to Indiana for the summer. Just before school opened they spent a few days at Oak Creek and Grand Canyon and "had a most wonderful time."

EMERSON SCHOOL LIBRARY NEWS

By Adelia Gebauer, Librarian

With funds collected from fines and the sale of the Emerson School Herald, a paper published by the eighth grade, we are buying the Junior Guild books.

All pupils in Emerson School now receive regular instruction in library methods—the use of a card catalog, dictionary, and reference material.

Adelia Gebauer wrote "A Selected Annotated Bibliography on Latin America for the Junior High School" for her thesis for her Master's degree in June. Anyone who wishes to use this bibliography to plan Latin-American units will find a copy at the Phoenix Public Library.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SIXTEENTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE ARIZONA STATE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

The sixteenth annual meeting of the Arizona State Library Association was held at Atwood House, Phoenix, March 28, 1942. Evangeline Berryman, Maricopa County Librarian and president of the association, presided at the morning session. Mrs. Berryman welcomed the librarians and their friends in the absence of Governor Sidney Osborn who was unable to be present on account of a called State National Defense meeting. William H. Carlson, librarian of the University of Arizona Library responded to Mrs. Berryman's word of welcome.

Minutes of the 1941 meeting and treasurer's report were read and accepted. A cablegram from Ida Wilson, former reference librarian of A.S.T.C., Tempe, and ex-president of the Arizona Library Association, and a letter from Charles Brow, A.L.A. president, were read.

In the absence of Mrs. Sidney Kartus, Miss Rozetta Thurston, Director of Arizona State Library Project, gave a very informative report on the activities and progress of the Victory Book Campaign in Arizona. Thousands of books have been received, checked, sorted and sent to the various air bases and army fields in our state. County chairman reports were stimulating, especially Mrs. Breathitt's report of Southern Arizona and Pima County, given by Lela Burns of the Tucson Public Library.

Mr. Carlson and Miss Thurston described the War Information Centers as being the 160 chosen libraries throughout the United States to act as Information Centers to receive and give out key information to the civilian population. Arizona University Library is the designated library for our state with Mr. Carlson in charge. A central reading room in which all this information will be displayed is in the main lobby of the University Library.

Reports of the progress of the Arizona librarians were interesting and valuable as 24 different librarians told of new and different projects or special problems.

During luncheon the members of the association were encouraged to examine publisher's helpful exhibits. No regular convention luncheon was planned.

Mr. Frederick Cromwell, first-vice-president, presided at the afternoon meeting. Dr. T. J. Tormey, president of A.S.T.C., Flagstaff, very instructively outlined the services librarians and libraries can give in the present emergency.

Sidney Kartus, member of the committee for the preservation of cultural materials in event of an attack on this country, told of a survey which was being made by the committee and asked that all librarians assist.

A postwar planning board was suggested and the following committee appointed: Rozetta Thurston, Tempe, chairman; Marie Siedentopf, Phoenix; Lela Burns, Tucson; Althea Ragsdale, Flagstaff.

During the business session in the afternoon, the association accepted the report of the nominating committee, Willimina Schultz, chairman, and the following officers were elected for the year 1942-43:

President—Frederick Cromwell, University of Arizona Library, Tucson. First vice-president—Mrs. Dixie Thompson, Librarian, Osborn School, Phoenix. Second vice-president—Althea Ragsdale, A.S.T.C. Library, Flagstaff. Secretary-treasurer—Lela Burns, Public Library, Tucson.

The Resolution Committee headed by Leroy Brenneman presented ten resolutions all pertaining to expressions of gratitude on behalf of the association to Trinity Cathedral for Atwood House; to Mrs. Sidney Kartus and her staff for the successful Victory Book Drive; to all commercial agencies and individuals who cooperated in the Victory Book Drive; to the Arizona Trade Bindery for publication of the Arizona Library News; to the exhibitors at the convention for the interesting and stimulating displays; to the speakers who appeared before the convention; to those who made the convention a success; and to the officers of the association.

A motion was made and passed that the association accept the Library News as our special publication and those libraries who can, pay \$1.00, the subscription price for one year.

The dinner meeting was held at the Arizona Club with Mr. Montgomery, superintendent of Phoenix Union High Schools and Junior College, as master of ceremonies. "New Worlds Ahead," was the subject of a very stimulating address given by Dr. Alfred Atkinson, president of the University of Arizona. Dr. Irma Wilson, professor Spanish at A.S.T.C., Tempe, showed and explained interesting pictures of South America. Music was furnished by the Junior College music department.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED AT THE SIXTEENTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE ARIZONA STATE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Be it resolved that the Arizona Library Association extend its gratitude to Trinity Cathedral for the use of Atwood House for its meeting and for the provision of exhibit tables.

Be it resolved that the association extend its thanks to Mrs. Sidney Kartus and her staff for the efficient and successful Victory Book Drive which has brought about the donation of thousands of books throughout the state for the use of our armed forces in the state and elsewhere.

Be it resolved that the Safeway Stores and Standard Oil Companies be particularly commended for conspicuous cooperation in gathering donated Victory Drive books at their various places of business throughout the state, transporting them to various local Victory Book headquarters.

Be it resolved that thanks be extended to all other commercial agencies and individuals who cooperated in the Victory Book campaign.

Be it resolved that special thanks be extended to Trinity Cathedral for provision of sorting quarters for the Victory Book Campaign to the radio stations and press of the state for sustained and favorable book drive publicity and to Mrs. Mary Breathitt for the vigorous and highly successful Victory Book Drive conducted by her in Southern Arizona.

Be it resolved that gratitude be officially expressed by the incoming officers of the Association to the Arizona Trade Bindery for its co-operation, at considerable expense and effort, in the publication of the Arizona Library News.

Be it resolved that the exhibitors at convention be thanked for their interesting and stimulating displays and for their assistance in making possible the publication of the Convention number of the Arizona Library News.

Be it resolved that thanks be extended to the speakers who have appeared before the convention, several of whom have taken time from busy schedules and come long distances.

Be it resolved that thanks be extended to the committees which worked in the behalf of the association during the year, and in the conduct of this pleasant convention.

Be it resolved that appreciation be extended to the officers of the Association, our gracious president, Mrs. Berryman; our vice-presidents: Frederick Cromwell and Dorothy Hardaway, and our untiring acting secretary-treasurer, Miss Leta Weaver, for the efficient conduct of the business of our association.

Read and accepted.

LETA WEAVER,

Sec. Treasurer, 1941-1942.

EXCERPTS FROM MINUTES OF THE 1942 ARIZONA SCHOOL LIBRARY CONFERENCE

The history of the school library conference is marked by an outstanding feature which is even more characteristic of the 1942 Conference, that of having a fine group of speakers. School librarians always look forward to each meeting expecting to get some very worthwhile ideas to take away with them. It is apparent that no librarian has gone away disappointed. Those who were curious as to the attitude that their principal had toward them were satisfied by the thoughts expressed in the speech, "What an Administrator Thinks of the School Library," by Roy Gilbert, principal of Madison School. They realized from it the important position the school library holds in its influence with the educational program of the school. The school library enriches the course of study through reference books, supplementary reading, exhibits, instruction in the use of library books, use of the catalog and by suggestions of good books to be read. The initiative and imagination of the librarian determine the amount of service a school library can give the children enrolled.

Mr. Avery Olney of Phoenix Union High School is keeping with the time related interesting thoughts concerning "Our Neighbor Republic," making the audience aware of the contribution Latin-American authors are producing for modern literature and culture. The fostering of Pan-Americanism through books which are a creation of authors from all the Americas is one of the wholesome signs of cooperation and friendliness found in the western hemisphere today.

The action taken by the school librarians to affiliate themselves with public librarians, will long be remembered as a move in the right direction because it means the pooling of effort and ability to sponsor library growth in Arizona. This act takes notice of a historical truth that "In Union There is Strength."

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